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The following account of the taking of St. Euſtatia, is extracted from the Supplement to the Martinique Gazette of the 6th December, 1781.

ON the 15th November our little army, compoſed of 400 men of the regiment of Auxerrois, 320 of the Royal Comtois, 400 of Dillon's and of Walſh's, 50 grenadiers of Martinique, and 24 matroſſes, embarked on board the King's frigates the Medea, commanded by La Chevalier de Girardin; the Amazon, by M. De Villages, the Galatea, by the Chevalier de Rocquart; the Corvette Eagle, by Monſ. de Prencuf; the ſloops St. Louis and Diligent, and the ſchooners Felicity and Charmante; a number of pilots, from the harbour of St. Pierre, were alſo taken on board, in order to create a ſuſpicion that we were going to meet our naval armament, at this time expected in theſe ſeas, and thereby to conceal the object of the expedition. The ſquadron, under the orders of the Chevalier de Girardin, arrived on the 10th to windward of Martinique, where they cruized two days. In the night of the 12d they purſued their courſe, and on the 15th, at nine o'clock in the evening, arrived off St. Euſtatia. The ſloops, with each a frigate's long-boat attending, anchored with much difficulty at the mouth of Jenkins's Bay, ſituated to the N. W. of the iſland, whilſt the frigates lay too at a little diſtance. Count Dillon, who was on board the Diligent, with the chaſſeurs of his regiment, landed the firſt. The ſurf running high, the boats were daſhed againſt the rocks, and ſome ſoldiers were drowned. Our intrepid General, with a part of the Iriſh brigade, made good his landing after ſome time, with great riſque and danger; his own boat was overſet, but every perſon on board was ſaved. A ſafer landing place was afterwards diſcovered, where part of the troops diſembarked with great difficulty. Thoſe firſt landed took poſſeſſion of the heights, after climbing up a rock of between 700 and 800 feet, almoſt perpendicular height, the only way by which they could penetrate the iſland; this was overcome by our troops, Monſ. de Bouille himſelf, with great eagerneſs and intrepidity, ſetting the example. An hour before day only 400 were landed, and we had no expectation of effecting the landing any more, moſt of the boats having been daſhed to pieces.

Our only reſource was now in victory, and we had to attack an enemy greatly ſuperior in numbers. Nothing could diſcourage Monſ. de Bouille, he inſtantly took his meaſures, and marched at the head of his troops, who were full of ardour and courage. At half after four in the morning, being ſtill at the diſtance of a league and a half from the fort, we haſtened our march.

Count Dillon received orders to march immediately with the Iriſh brigade to the barracks, to ſend a detachment to ſeize the batteries, on the right of the town, and another to ſurprize the governor in his own houſe. Monſ. de Freſne, Major of the Royal Comtois, with 100 chaſſeurs, taken from his own regiment and that of Auxerrois, was ordered to attack the fort, and to ſcale the walls if he could not enter at the gate. Mr. le Vicomte de Damas was ordered to ſupport him with the remainder of the troops.

Count Dillon reached the barracks at ſix o'clock in the morning, and found a part of the garriſon exerciſing on the parade. The enemy, impoſed upon by the uniform of the Iriſh brigade, were ſoon undeceived by a fire from the latter within piſtol ſhot. Governor Cockburne, on his way to the parade, was taken priſoner at the ſame time, by the Chevalier Oconner, Captain of the chaſſeurs of Walſh. The Chevalier Freſne puſhed on to the fort, into which the enemy were throwing themſelves in great numbers; he reached the drawbridge at the moment they were attempting to raiſe it; Monſ. de la Motte, ſecond Captain of the chaſſeurs of Auxerrois, ruſhed forward on the bridge, and by a well timed well directed fire, obliged the enemy to let go the chains. This vigorous attack, deſerving the greateſt encomius, was the ſignal of victory. The enemy were purſued into the fort by the chaſſeurs of the Royal Comtois. The Chevalier de Freſne ordered the bridge to be raiſed, and the whole garriſon threw down their arms. All the priſoners were paraded in the fort, and we found on examination, that we had loſt only 10 men in killed, drowned, or wounded. The enemy loſt 32.

On the ſame day, the 26th, the Vicomte de Damas, with 300 men of his regiment, was ſent with the Amazon frigate, and one ſloop, with orders to take poſſeſſion of the iſland of St. Martin's. He made 53 priſoners of war, among which were three officers, and carried the garriſon to St. Euſtatia, after having re-eſtabliſhed the governments of France and Holland in the ſame manner as they ſtood at the time the Engliſh captured the iſland.—The iſland of Saba ſurrendered on ſummons the ſame day, and the laws of Holland were there re-eſtabliſhed. On the 27th, the flag of the United Provinces was hoiſted on the fort, and it was announced by diſcharges of artillery, and the acclamations of the inhabitants, that the colony was reſtored to the dominion of Holland. Monſieur de Chabert was appointed civil Governor of the iſlands of St. Euſtatia, St. Martin's, and Saba, for their High Mightineſſes the States General of the United Provinces. M. Fitzmaurice, Captain Commandant of the battalion of W[illegible], with the rank of Lieut. Col. was appointed to the chief command of the military; Monſieur de Banks, Capt. Commandant of the regiment of Dillon, was appointed Lieutenant de Roi, and Monſieur de Geoffry, Aid-Major of the town and Fort-Orange. Monſieur de Bouille at the ſame time put the place in a reſpectable ſituation, and left a ſufficient garriſon for its defence.

The garriſon of St. Euſtatia was compoſed of the 13th and 15th Britiſh regiments, conſiſting of 691 men, and all the priſoners taken amounted to 776, viz. two Lieutenant Colonels, 7 Captains, 33 Lieutenants, Enſigns and Quartermaſters, 702 non-commiſſioned officers, privates and matroſſes, and 32 ſailors. The Count de Bouille, nephew to the General, ſailed on the 28th from St. Euſtatia, in the Corvette Eagle, to carry the news of this ſucceſs of our arms to the King, and to preſent to his Majeſty the four ſtandards of the 13th and 15th regiments.

Count Dillon, Vicomte Damas, the Chevalier de Freſne and Fitzmaurice, who commanded the detachments on this expedition, were particularly diſtinguiſhed for their intrepidity, conſtancy, and good diſpoſitions; it would be neceſſary to name every officer and ſoldier of our little army, to do juſtice to thoſe who have deſerved well of their country, for their bravery and zeal.

The Captains and officers of the royal navy employed on this expedition, contributed greatly to its ſucceſs. The zeal, activity, and good management by which they were diſtinguiſhed, juſtifies the high ideas we had formed of their abilities and patriotiſm. All the operations of this conqueſt have been carried on with the greateſt harmony and good underſtanding—a prelude to further ſucceſs.

The Engliſh cannot have forgot the doctrine held out by General Vaughan, Colonel Cockburne himſelf, and other officers, that St. Euſtatia, with a garriſon of 1000 men, could defend itſelf againſt 10,000. What will they ſay, when they learn that the new Gibraltar was conquered by 400 Frenchmen? They muſt confeſs their Generals are bad calculators, and that intrepidity ſupplies the place of numbers.

The Marquis de Bouille embarked the 30th of laſt month, in the frigate Medea, and the ſquadron arrived in our road the 4th inſt. and landed all the priſoners. Monſieur de Bouille, who was looked for with impatience, landed at Fort Royal, where he was received with the greateſt joy.

We learn by late letters from France, by way of Guadaloupe, that great preparations were making in all their ſea ports, and they all mention the ſpeedy ſailing of a formidable ſquadron for theſe iſlands.

Philadelphia, December 21, 1781.

Twenty Pounds Specie Reward.

WAS broke open, laſt night, the houſe of Levi Hollingſworth, and the following Articles ſtolen; 6 ſilver table ſpoons, marked H P; 5 ditto tea ſpoons, H ditto; 4 ditto, ditto, L H; 1 ditto cream pot, C A H in a cypher; 1 ditto ſugar tongs, H P; 2 pound canniſter tea; 2 half gallon bowls of enamelled china; 1 quart decanter of wine; 3 razors in a caſe, razors marked A B C, and caſe L H; 1 large damaſk table-cloth, L H; 1 ſmall ditto; 1 drab great coat, with cloth cape, half worn, letter V in the cape; 2 mens beaver hats, one cocked, the other round, bound with edging; 1 pair of mens boots; 3 pair and one odd mens worſted ſtockings new, and run in the heels; 11 ditto old; 4 ditto yarn, ribbed, 3 pair of which were white, the other mixed blue; 2 ditto womens worſted ditto.

Silverſmiths and others are requeſted to ſtop ſaid goods if offered for ſale, for which they ſhall be rewarded, and if the robbers ſhall be apprehended and brought to juſtice, the above reward, and all reaſonable charges, paid by

LEVI HOLLINGSWORTH.

TO BE SOLD,

A PLANTATION, containing 100 acres of land, pleaſantly ſituate in Briſtol townſhip, Bucks county, fronting on Neſhaminy creek, about 3 miles from Delaware; ſhallops can load and unload within 10 roods from the houſe; about 18 miles from Philadelphia, and 3 miles from Briſtol. There are on the premiſes, an elegant houſe, 56 feet front, barn, ſtables, two fine bearing orchards, and 25 acres of meadow. It is a beautiful ſituation for a country ſeat, and in a very healthy part of the country.

Alſo, a PLANTATION, containing 128 acres of land, ſituate in Providence townſhip, Cheſter county, about 15 miles from Philadelphia, 5 miles from Cheſter, near Providence Meeting-houſe. There are on the premiſes, an extraordinary houſe, four rooms on a floor, barn, ſtables, two very fine bearing orchards, 15 acres of meadow and 30 acres of woodland; it is an agreeable ſituation, and convenient for a farm and country ſeat. Enquire of Mr. JOHN GILL, in Philadelphia, or of the ſubſcriber, living on the farm, in Bucks county.

† 3w. c t   JOSEPH PENROSE.

WAS taken up, on the 10th of December, 1781, A BOAT, 22 and a half feet long, and 6 and a half feet wide, ſuppoſed to have been loſt ſome time, as ſhe is very much torn. The owner, by applying to WILLIAM MERRIT, at Samuel Robbin's Boat-ſhop, and paying charges, may have her again. ¶

Twelfth-Month 24, 1781.

STRAYED away from the ſubſcriber, living in Fifth-ſtreet, near the New Jail, on the 23d of laſt month, a dark brown Horſe, about 16 hands high, between 4 and 5 years old, has had a ſore on the off ſide of his belly, a little behind the girth, neither brand nor ear-mark, has large head and feet, trots and paces. Whoever takes up ſaid horſe, and returns him to the owner, ſhall be entitled to FOUR DOLLARS Reward, and reaſonable charges, paid by ¶ ROBERT WOOD, Parchment-Maker.

Said Wood continues to ſupply Stationers, Scriveners and others with Parchment, in large or ſmall quantities.

David Morgan, Poſt-rider,

BEING willing to obviate every objection of his ſubſcribers as to the want of Caſh, propoſes to ſuch who have it not in their power to pay him that way, to receive Wheat in ſuch quantity, and at the current price, as will amount to the value of the papers ſubſcribed for, quarterly; the wheat to be depoſited at the different ſtages where the papers are left. He flatters himſelf that by this eaſy mode of payment, thoſe who are in arrears will ſpeedily diſcharge them; and he thereby ſtill enabled to proſecute his ſervices with aſſiduity and attention, to the ſatisfaction of his ſubſcribers. *December 19, 1781.*

Lower-Milford townſhip, Bucks county, Dec. 7, 1781.

WHEREAS my Wife ELIZABETH hath abſconded herſelf from me, I therefore forewarn all perſons from truſting the ſaid Elizabeth, as I will pay no debts ſhe may contract from the date hereof.

§ PHILIP SHOLL.

Glouceſter county, December 19, 1781.

WHEREAS I, the ſubſcriber, had two horſes ſtolen on the 11th day of October laſt, which ſaid horſes were advertiſed on the day following, One Hundred and Sixty Dollars to be paid to any perſon who would ſecure both horſes and thieves, or Thirty Pounds for the horſe called Whynot; and on the 12th day of October the ſaid horſe Whynot was taken up by a certain *Andrew Dilks*, and the reward claimed by a certain *Arthur M'Ilvaine* and *John Barns*; and whereas the ſaid Barns obtained a Note of me, the ſubſcriber, for the ſum of *Twenty Pounds*, in full for the reward for taking up and delivering the ſaid horſe Whynot, dated the 14th day of October; and it being fully proved ſince, that the ſaid horſe was not taken up by the ſaid Barns, but was taken by ſaid M'Ilvaine and Barns in a fraudulent manner from ſaid Dilks, who was entitled to the reward, and whom I have ſatisfied for taking up ſaid horſe, I do hereby give notice to all perſons not to take an aſſignment of ſaid note, as I am determined not to pay the ſame until compelled by law.

† JAMES TALMAN.

Princeton, New-Jerſey, December 16, 1781.

A valuable FARM to be SOLD.

IT is ſituate on Stony-Brook and Mill-Stone, about one mile and a half from Princeton, and contains 140 acres of land, whereof 30 odd acres are good meadow ground. There is on the premiſes a good two ſtory frame building, with a brick front, containing four rooms on a floor, a good kitchen, a large barn, with ſtables, &c. It has two apple-orchards, which contain 150 trees each.

Likewiſe, A Lot of WOOD LAND, about a mile and an half from the above, containing 60 acres. For terms of ſale, enquire of the ſubſcriber, living at Stony-Brook Bridge, near Princeton, or of Col. SCUDDER, near the premiſes. ¶ MATTHEW CLARK.

To be SOLD or HIRED,

A VERY ſenſible young NEGROE FELLOW, who is active and very handy about a houſe, being uſed to wait on a gentleman, take care of horſes, and drive a chair. He is remarkably ſober, and will ſuit a gentleman in the country, to whom his owner would be glad to diſpoſe of him. For terms or farther particulars, apply to the Printers. †

To be SOLD or LETT,

A TRACT of LAND, ſituate in Sadſbury townſhip, Cheſter county, containing 118 acres, with a convenient dwelling-houſe, milk-houſe, barn, ſtables, &c. a ſpring of good water at the door, an orchard of different kinds of fruit; about two-thirds of the land clear, part of which is meadow, the remainder well timbered, and within half a mile of Pequea Valley, which abounds with limeſtone, and about a mile from the ſign of the Compaſs, on the Provincial road. For terms, apply to Capt. WALTER FINNEY, in New-London, Cheſter county, or to WHITE and ROBERTS, in Market-ſtreet, a few doors above the Conеſtogoe Waggon. ¶

NOTICE is hereby given, to all thoſe indebted by Bill, Bond, Note of Hand, or otherwiſe howſoever, to the Eſtate of JOHN WRIGHT, late of Moyamenſing townſhip, in the county of Philadelphia, deceaſed, they are requeſted to make ſpeedy payment; and all thoſe who have any demands againſt ſaid eſtate, are deſired to bring or ſend in their accounts, properly proved, in order that they may be paid as ſoon as the aſſets of the deceaſed can be obtained by the ſubſcriber, for the diſcharge thereof.

JOHN LEE, acting Executor.

Mount-Pleaſant, New-Jerſey, Dec. 31, 1781.

N. B. All debts due to the above eſtate are forbid being paid to any perſon but the ſaid John Lee, who only is lawfully impowered to receive the ſame. ¶

ALL perſons indebted to the Eſtate of JACOB BENNETT (late of the borough of Wilmington, in the county of New-Caſtle) mariner, deceaſed, are requeſted to make immediate payment to the ſubſcribers, in Wilmington; and all perſons who have any demands againſt the ſaid eſtate are deſired to bring in their accounts, properly atteſted, in order that they may be adjuſted for payment.

WILLIAM ZANE, Adminiſtrator,
ALICE BENNETT, Adminiſtratrix.

N. B. Attendance is intended to be given in Wilmington, on the 25th inſtant, by the ſaid ſubſcribers. ‡

PHILADELPHIA.

An ACT *for the support of Government, and the Administration of Justice.*

SECT. 1. WHEREAS those who dedicate their time and abilities to the service of the public, ought to receive a reasonable compensation:

SECT. 2. *Be it therefore enacted, and it is hereby enacted, by the Representatives of the Freemen of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met, and by the Authority of the same,* That the following annual salaries shall be allowed to the several officers of state, hereinafter mentioned, to commence on the twenty-second day of June last past, and to continue for the space of one year, and until the same shall be afterwards altered by the legislature, to be paid to them severally on their receipts, or on their draughts quarterly, on the Treasurer of the State; *that is to say,*

To the President of the Supreme Executive Council, or Commander in Chief of the Forces of this State, for the time being, the Sum of *Twelve Hundred and Fifty Pounds.*

The Vice-President, the Sum of *Five Hundred Pounds.*

The Chief Justice, the Sum of *Nine Hundred Pounds.*

The Second Justice of the Supreme Court, the Sum of *Four Hundred Pounds.*

The Third and Fourth Justices of the Supreme Court, the Sum of *Three Hundred Pounds* each.

The Attorney-General, the Sum *of One Hundred and Fifty Pounds.*

The Secretary of the Supreme Executive Council, being Register of Forfeited Estates, including the Expence of Clerks, the Sum of *Five Hundred Pounds.* Provided always, That all Fees appertaining to the Office of said Secretary of the Supreme Executive Council shall be paid quarterly, by the Secretary, into the Hands of the State Treasurer, for the Use of the State.

SECT. 3. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the following wages shall be allowed and paid to the persons hereinafter mentioned; *to wit,*

To the Delegates or Deputies of this Commonwealth, in the Congress of the United States of America, for every days attendance in the public service, each the Sum of *One Pound Ten Shillings.*

The Members of the Supreme Executive Council, other than the President and Vice-President, for every day's attendance, each the Sum of *Seventeen Shillings and Sixpence.*

The Speaker of the House of Assembly, for each day's attendance, the Sum of *One Pound Two Shillings and Sixpence.*

The other Members of the House of Assembly, for every day's attendance, each the sum of *Fifteen Shillings.*

The Clerk of the House of Assembly, for every day's attendance, the Sum of *One Pound.*

The Sergeant at Arms, for every day's attendance, the Sum of *Ten Shillings.*

The Door-keeper of the Council, and the Door-keeper of the House of Assembly, each the Sum of *Ten Shillings* for every day's attendance.

SECT. 4. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That every Delegate in Congress and Member of Council shall be further allowed, towards his travelling charges, after the rate of *Six-pence* per mile, once in every three months, in coming to and going from the places where the Congress and Council shall respectively sit, provided he shall so often actually visit his family; and that every Member of Assembly shall be further allowed, towards his travelling charges, after the same rate, once in each sitting of the House, which said wages and travelling expences shall be paid by the Treasurer of this State to the Delegates representing this State in Congress, and to the Members of the Council, and their Door-keeper, on the draughts of the President or Vice-President in Council; and to the Speaker and other Members of Assembly, to the Clerk of the Assembly, Sergeant at Arms and Door keeper, on the draughts of the Speaker of the House, signed in Assembly.

SECT. 5. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That so much of any act of Assembly heretofore made, as declares what salaries shall be paid to the several Officers of Government, and what wages shall be allowed to the Speaker and other Members of Assembly, to the Delegates representing this State in Congress, to the Members of Council and others herein specially mentioned, shall be and is hereby repealed.

Signed, by Order of the House.

FREDERICK A. MUHLENBERG, *Speaker.*

Enacted into a Law at Philadelphia, *on* Thursday, *the twenty-seventh day of* December, *in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty-one.*

PETER Z. LLOYD, Clerk of the General Assembly.

Messieurs HALL and SELLERS,

I DARE say you will oblige and inform many of your customers, by publishing in your Gazette the following Protest made in Assembly, on occasion of passing the bill for the better support of government, inserted in your Gazette of the 28th of November last. As some alterations have since been made in it, I shall mention the most considerable of them.

The salary of the Chief Justice is raised to 900l. per annum, but those of the Second, Third and Fourth stand as in the published copy, the Second at 400l. the others at 300l. The blank for the commencement of them all, both those of the executive and judicial branches, are, by a strange management, put back to the 22d of June last; this obliges such as remain in office to account for the sums received by them upon former allowances, as part of the year's salary due and ending next summer. The subject is too serious to dwell upon.

I am your's, &c. A. B.

Extract from the Minutes of the General Assembly.

Thursday, December 27, 1781. P. M.

THE bill for the support of government and administration of justice being brought in engrossed, was read and compared at the table: Whereupon the question was put, Shall the same be enacted into a law? and the Yeas and Nays being required by Mr. W. Montgomery and Mr. Wilkinson, stood as follows——Yeas. Sharp Delany, John Steinmetz, Samuel Meredith, Matthew Holgate, Thomas Rees, Henry Hill, George Campbell, Gerardus Wynkoop, Thomas Long, Evan Evans, John Hannum, James Moore, Christopher Kucher, Jacob Cooke, Jacob Carpenter, Abraham Scott, James Jacks, Matthias Slough, William Brown, Jacob Krug, Robert M'Pherson, Moses M'Clean, Michael Schmyser, Thomas Lilly, Michael Hahn, Joseph Magoffin, Robert Magaw, John Montgomery, Stephen Duncan, Benjamin Weiser, John Bishop, Jonas Hartzel, Robert Lattimer, Jacob Stroud, Bernard Dougherty, Charles Cessne, Isaac Meason, John Proctor, John Canon.——Nays. Joseph M'Clean, George Smith, James Wilkinson, James Tate, John Culbertson, Thomas Moffatt, Patrick Anderson, John Lindsey, John Whitehill, [illegible] Mercer, James Porter, James M'Clene, William M[illegible]nn, William Montgomery, James Edgar.

So it was determined in the affirmative, and the Speaker was directed to sign the same.

DISSENTIENT,

BECAUSE this bill contains provisoes and regulations, diametrically contradictory to the [illegible]d letter of the Constitution of this State; regulations which manifestly tend to confound and bring [illegible] Legislative, Executive and Judicial branches of [illegible]ment, which have been so carefully and distinctly marked out and separated by the Convention, and upon the reciprocal independence of which the life, liberty and property of every citizen doth essentially depend; and we are so decided in this sentiment that we declare, in the words of Judge Blackstone, when speaking of the three branches of the British Legislature, "That if ever it should happen, that "the independence of any of three branches of govern- "ment should be lost, or that it should become subservient "to the views of the other two, there would soon be an "end of the Constitution, and that such a change, how- "ever effected, would be at once a dissolution of the bands "of government."

Because this bill, by giving annual salaries to the principal officers of the Executive and Judicial branches of government for one year, to be altered afterwards by the Legislature from time to time, in fact, abolishes the independence of those departments, and by evading the checks of the Constitution, indirectly reduces them into mere shadows of the Assembly for the time being; thus threatening a compleat tyranny in the hands of a few men; or rather, as the spirit of the people is too big for such an event, and as the confederation in which we are linked with the United States would prevent it, contriving a scene of anarchy sufficient to oblige the people to consent to the abolition of the present form of government, unrighteously charged with insufficiency and mischief.

Because, from a most extraordinary particularity, and by a retrospective wording of this bill, the salaries which it provides for the officers therein named, for one year, are to begin from the 22d day of June last, the day on which the tender of the paper money was taken away; thus calling on persons, some of whom are now out of office, and who have received the sums then lawfully due to to them, to refund a part of the same, or rather obliging the State to institute odious and unreasonable suits in the law for monies, to which, till this bill was passed, they had as legal a right as any part of their estates, and thus committing the authority of this House, in a case which will be thought a hard one, to the judgment of a common jury; and we are the more averse to this part of the bill, as this EX POST FACTO clause, which will form a dangerous precedent, is introduced with a very ill grace, considering that the bills of credit in which the salaries of these officers were payable, during the six months preceding the said 22d of June, were twenty-five *per cent.* worse than specie at their commencement in December last, and that they depreciated within the first quarter to two for one, and soon after to six for one.

Because this bill pretends, so far as the authority of the Legislature will go, to set aside a regular and constitutional proceeding of the first Assembly of this Commonwealth, of the 19th of March, 1777, P. M. † whereby, upon an application of the President and Council to the Legislature for that purpose, previous to the nomination of any of the Judges of the Supreme Court (and before any idea of the late unhappy depreciation of the bills of credit, then in circulation, was allowed of by authority, or entertained by the people in general) the salaries of those Judges were so fixed and established, at the rate of One Thousand Pounds *per annum* to the Chief, and Five Hundred Pounds *per annum* for the Assistant Justices, as to place the diminishing of their annual salaries as much beyond the reach of the Legislature, as the commissions since granted to them, for seven years, have set them beyond the removal of Council; and we the rather insist on this, as the life, liberty and safety of the citizens of this State, more immediately depend on the full and unquestioned independency of the Judges of so variable a body, as the Representatives in Assembly must be; for if the House possess a right to legislate in this manner, it is not only possible, but likely, that men of superior estate, having important causes depending in the Supreme Court, or having lost such by the integrity and firmness of the Judges, will endeavour to procure seats in the Assembly, in order to intimidate the Judges in the first case, or punish them in the latter; thus annihilating all law and justice.—Further, Because we look upon the proceeding of the Assembly of March the 19th, 1777, before referred to, as an implied contract between the Commonwealth and the Supreme Judges, which, however apparently deranged by the late unhappy depreciation of the paper money of Congress, and of this Commonwealth, caused by too large an emission thereof (surely without any fault on the part of these Judges) ought to be considered binding upon the State in every consideration of justice and policy; for we must consider the occasional votes of salaries for these Judges, whilst paper was tenderable, as intended merely to make good these first sums, though, from the still varying state of the currency, they have proved inadequate to their first establishment; and we consider it the duty of this House, instead of undermining this contract, to give it every possible validity, at this time when silver and gold are again recurred to, as the medium of the public taxes and transactions, and as the standard of private property; more especially as the salaries fixed in March, 1777, are, if compared with the present prices of the necessaries of life, very moderate.

Because the Judges of the Supreme Court ought, by the Constitution, to have fixed salaries; whereas this bill, in words as contrary as words can be, declares them to be mutable, and aims to destroy the establishment of these salaries made by the first Assembly, by lessening them at present, and holding out expressly further alterations.

Because by passing this bill, replete, as we believe, with fundamental deviations from the Constitution, and highly threatening its destruction, the eighth section thereof has been violated, which forbids us to add to, alter, abolish, or infringe any part of it.

Because, if we gave our assent to this bill, we are persuaded we should violate the solemn attestation which we made on taking our seats in this House, a tye by which no other officer or person in trust is bound, that we would not assent to any bill, vote or proceeding, that shall have a tendency to lessen or abridge the rights of the people as declared in the Constitution; and we are equally convinced, that the independent and unbiassed exercise of the constitutional authority of the Executive and Judicial branches of our government are as essential to the well-being and safety of the people, as the power and privileges of this House; and we wish it to be known to our constituents and to the world, that we are persuaded in our consciences, if we had concurred in passing this bill (which we consider an attempt not only to lessen and abridge, but indirectly to destroy these authorities under the pretence of œconomy) we should have been guilty of as flagrant a breach of trust and of perjury, as if we had consented to a bill for removing, or even abolishing the President and Council, and the Judges of the Supreme Court, in the most direct and explicit terms.

Finally, Because so far from agreeing to establish this bill, the principles and tendency of which we abhor and dread, we declare on the contrary, that we consider it our dearest interest as citizens, and our duty as members of this House, to frame a bill, and to promote a solemn act of this Legislature without delay (now that gold and silver, the most stable monies of any, are become the standard of value) which shall fix adequate, yet moderate salaries and allowances for the principal executive officers, without limitation of time, in order that the Executive branch may become fully independent of the Legislative, according to the manifest spirit and whole scope of the Constitution, especially as our Legislature consists of but one branch only; and which shall recognize and provide in the most certain manner, for the payment of the proper and stipulated salaries of the Justices of the Supreme Court of Judicature, as the same were ascertained and established, in literal obedience to the 23d article of the Constitution, by the first Assembly of this Commonwealth, being fully convinced that neither this House nor our successors can lessen or diminish the provision thus made, upon constitutional principles, for the Executive and Judicial branches, without abridging the rights and privileges of their constituents, as declared in the Constitution, and infringing the same in the most essential manner; inasmuch as such a proceeding would reduce the government of Pennsylvania from being a government of laws, to a government of men.

James Wilkinson, *John Whitehill,* *James Porter,*
James M'Clene, *Patrick Anderson,* *James Tate,*
John Culbertson, *James Edgar,* *W. Montgomery,*
James Mercer, *Thomas Moffit,* *George Smith.*
John Lindsay.

† Wednesday, March 19, 1777, P. M. *Mr. Hubley and Mr. Taylor, two Members of the Executive Council, came in and informed the House, that they were sent by the Council to desire that the Assembly would now fix the salaries of the Chief Justice and other Judges of the Supreme Court of this Commonwealth, previous to their appointment: Whereupon the House, taking the same into consideration,*

Resolved unanimously, *That the Chief Justice be allowed a salary of* £. 1000 per annum, *and the Assistant Judges a salary of* £. 500 per annum *each.*

JUST OPENED,

And to be SOLD, Wholesale and Retail,

By JOHN LEVINS,

In Market-street, the corner of Strawberry-Alley, a neat assortment of the following GOODS, which he will sell low for cash, and take in payment this or any neighbouring State Money at a moderate exchange; also, will receive French Guineas at an equal value with English, and French Crowns in like proportion.

SUPERFINE broad cloths,
Second ditto,
Irish Ratteens,
Fine Coating,
Blue Plains,
Cotton Velvet,
Embossed Serge,
Camblet and Duroys,
Masquerets and Calimancoes,
Vest Patterns,
Mens and womens Hose,
Mens and boys coarse yarn ditto,
Cotton and linen Checks,
Russia Sheetings,
Ticklenburgs and Oznabrigs,
Fine Laval and Platillia Linens,
3-4 and yard wide Brittannias,
5-4 wide Sheeting,
Yard wide room and house Linen,
Linen and cotton Stripes,
Ladies Kid Gloves,
Sewing silks and Skeletons,
Belt steel Razors,
Coat and vest Buttons,
Ribbons of different colours,
Fustians,
Fine light and dark Chintzes, Light and dark Calicoes and Cottons,
Cambricks and Lawns,
Lawn Handkerchiefs,
Silk ditto,
Romal and check ditto,
Fine plain and striped Muslins,
Black and white Modes,
White, black, and pink Persians,
A neat ASSORTMENT of SILKS, such as Indias, Paduasoys, Ducapes, Lutestrings and Mantuas, of different colours,
10, 8, and 7 quarters wide fine Rose Blankets,
English playing Cards,
Tapes,
White and coloured threads,
Pins,
Shirt buttons, &c. &c.

Philadelphia, January 3, 1782.

BY virtue of a Writ of venditioni exponas to me directed, will be sold at Public Vendue, on Saturday, the 12th instant, at the Coffee-house, a certain tract of LAND, containing about thirty-four acres, on the great road leading to Germantown, and nearly opposite to Mr. Logan's seat, on which there is a small house and barn, a stream of water runs through the whole, and improves a few acres into good meadow.

There are two very good orchards of excellent fruit, and many other conveniencies for a gentleman's country seat. The whole formerly the property of William Vanderspeigle, deceased, and taken in execution, by

WILLIAM WILL, Sheriff.

N. B. The Vendue to begin at five o'Clock in the Evening.

TWELVE DOLLARS Reward.

STRAYED or STOLEN, on the night of the 25th of December last, from the stable of William Askew, near White-clay creek bridge, in Mill-creek Hundred, New-Castle county, a whitish grey HORSE, shod all round, about 14 hands high, well made, trots and canters when rode, his mane, tail and legs blackish, has neither brand nor ear-mark that is remembered, and is about 6 years old. Likewise a dapple grey MARE, has had the pole evil, and there remains a lump by the ears, she is about 16 years old, paces a slow travel, and was lately shod before. Whoever takes up said creatures and secures them, so that the owners may get them again, shall receive the above reward, or EIGHT DOLLARS for the horse only, and reasonable charges, paid by ROBERT HALL, or JOSEPH ASKEW, of Ashtown township, Chester county.

CAME to the plantation of John Hannis, in Hall, unk township, a sorrel HORSE, with a blaze in his face, shod all round, about 13 hands high. The Owner is desired to come, prove his property, pay charges and take him away.

JOHN HANNIS.

LONDON.

Oct. 6. The Spaniards, in their pompous account of the invaſion of Minorca, ſay that it fixes the attention of all the maritime powers of Europe. They ſhould have excepted one great maritime power, that is the Court of London, which appears to pay no attention to it at all!—Nay, nor the people neither!—Or ſurely French and Spaniards would not have ſuch free egreſs and regreſs there and at Gibraltar, unmoleſted and uninterrupted by the Britiſh navy!—Oh poor unfortunate BYNG! Where is thy indignant ghoſt?—Thou who died a victim to avert the fury of an enraged people from a guilty Miniſtry!

Puniſhment, though with a ſlow foot, is ſure to overtake the villain. How unlucky for poor Arnold, to have eſcaped the penalty of a traitor, only to be reſerved for the fate of a deteſted aſſaſſin! And was Gen. Philips's army to have been next betrayed, to appeaſe the betrayed Congreſs, if you had been raiſed to the command, upon his concerted deſtiny? O Human Nature! What a Spot is here in thy creation?

Sir Henry Clinton's and Lord Rawdon's returns, may be deemed the ſureſt token of a loſt cauſe; no leſs than the meditated retreat, as it is probable of that arch traitor Arnold, indicates the inclination of final victory to the ſide he laſt deſerted.

POLITICAL SALES by AUCTION.

By BOREAS, MINDEN, and Co.
State and Stock-Brokers;

The Britiſh Rights in America, conſiſting, among many other articles, of the Thirteen Provinces, now claiming Independence; the reverſions of the governments of Quebec, Nova Scotia, Newfoundland, and Eaſt-Florida (that of Weſt Florida has been ſome time diſpoſed of, and the purchaſers have lately come into poſſeſſion) together with the territories of the Hudſon's-Bay Company; a body of reduced, diſpirited troops, with a very large collection of overgrown Commiſſaries, and all the unſettled accounts of ordinaries and extraordinaries, to the amount of many millions; together with the whole maſs of acts, repeals, ſtatutes, reſtrictions, proclamations, arrears, propoſitions, humiliations, &c. &c.

N. B. The Britiſh Weſt-India iſlands to be included, if agreeable.—Application to be made to Meſſrs. Boreas, Minden, and Co. near St. James's.

By JAMES TWITCHER, and Co.

The remaining Stock in Trade of the Royal Navy of Great-Britain, conſiſting of a ſmall number of old hulks, built with Stetin-timber, unequipped and unmanned. They will be ſold with all their furniture on board, of old women in command, old men and a young Prince. Perſons are deſired to apply without loſs of time, to prevent their mouldering away without any benefit to the auctioneer. For the convenience of purchaſers, James will have no objections to ſuffering the fleets of the enemy to come into the channel, for the purpoſe of carrying off what they may buy.

Alſo the Garriſons of Gibraltar and Minorca, with all the empty ſtorehouſes and magazines.—Thoſe are now upon ſale, and will be knocked down without loſs of time. They will be an excellent bargain to the purchaſers, as they will be peremptorily ſold.

SALEM, *December* 20.

Laſt Sunday, a ſchooner from Falmouth in England, loaded chiefly with flour, prize to the Speedwell privateer, arrived ſafe in port.

Since our laſt the letter of marque Fortune returned to Beverly, after being out about three weeks, having taken a valuable prize, which is arrived at a ſafe port.

BOSTON, *December* 27.

On the 11th of this inſtant, Capt. Timothy Folger arrived at Nantucket, in 60 days from England. In her came paſſengers, Capt. John Leach (who was lately taken at St. Euſtatia) Mr. James Jackſon, Mr. Edward Jones, and Mr. Thomas K. Jones, all of this town, merchants.

Captain Folger ſailed ſome days in company with the fleet which had Governor Dunmore and the ſouthern refugees on board, bound to his Government of Virginia, and their ſeveral homes.

FISH-KILL, *January* 3.

We learn from New-York, that General Leſlie, who commands at Charleſtown, has requeſted of General Clinton 900 men, to enable him to hold that place.—That an embarkation was accordingly made the 22d ultimo, compoſed principally of the new raiſed corps.

Five men from Arnold's corps, have deſerted to us in the courſe of the laſt week.

CHATHAM, *January* 2.

Though the ſeaſon cannot be expected to produce any important warlike actions, or change of affairs, in this cold climate, where winter generally ſeals up the ſprings of motion, and compels the ſons of Mars not only to relinquiſh their martial enterpriſes, but to ſeek an aſylum from the hoary froſt and ſnow; yet, from the preſent aſpect of affairs, the moſt important intelligence from Europe, as well as from the ſouthern States, where the mildneſs of the ſeaſon gives a latitude to the exertions of the Continental army under General Greene, and where the ſeat of war is likely to be transferred, may be expected.—May Heaven guard the glory and dignity of the American States, and develope the arcana of the enemy's machinations, until the carnage of the human race ſhall ceaſe, and the olive branch be extended to us.

Oh! ſtretch thy reign, fair Peace! from ſhore to ſhore,
'Till conqueſt ceaſe and war be heard no more.

PHILADELPHIA, *January* 9.

Saturday night the 22d ult. the Palace in the city of Williamſburg, which is ſuppoſed to have been ſet on fire by ſome malicious perſon, was in three hours burnt to the ground. This elegant building was for ſome time paſt uſed as an Hoſpital, and upwards of an hundred ſick and wounded ſoldiers were in it when the fire was diſcovered, but by the timely exertions of a few people, only one periſhed in the flames.

By the ſouthern poſt, arrived laſt Monday, we learn, That Captain Smith, in a brig from Rhode-Iſland, is arrived in James river. Captain Smith, in a ſloop, Captain Hinman, in the Marquis, and Captain Champlin, in the Hancock, from New-London, are arrived in York river. Captain Paine, in the Lark, and Captain Davis, in the Favourite, from Boſton, are arrived at Baltimore. The latter loſt her maſts in a gale of wind. A ſloop from Salem is alſo arrived at Baltimore. The ſhip Philadelphia is arrived at St. Thomas's.

TO BE SOLD BY
WILSON & LAWRANCE,
At their ſtore in Water ſtreet, between Market and Arch-ſtreets,

SPANISH, lump, and Muſcovado ſugar, Jamaica ſpirits, cherry rum, raiſins in kegs, coffee, indigo, and logwood by the ton or leſs quantity.

Purſuant to an Order of ORPHAN'S COURT,
Will be SOLD at Public Vendue,
On Third-day, the 22d of the firſt month, January inſt. on the premiſes, at two o'clock in the afternoon,

A VALUABLE PLANTATION, ſituate in the townſhip of Concord, Cheſter county, in Pennſylvania, containing 102 acres of land, whereon is erected a dwelling-houſe, barn, ſtables, about 15 acres of good meadow, and more may be made; three bearing orchards, a large ſtream of water running through the place, bounded on Chicheſter road, lands of Samuel Trimble, Thomas Newlin, and others; late the property of Thomas Weſt, deceaſed. The conditions of ſale will be made known at the time and place aforeſaid, by

SARAH WEST, Adminiſtratrix,
† BENJAMIN THOMAS, Adminiſtrator.

Purſuant to an Order iſſued out of the ORPHAN'S COURT, for the county of Cheſter, will be SOLD at Public Vendue, by the Adminiſtrators of the eſtate of JAMES WILLCOX, late of the townſhip of Nether Providence, deceaſed, on the premiſes, the 26th day of January inſt. at 2 o'clock in the afternoon,

A PLANTATION or tract of LAND, with a dwelling-houſe, barn, ſtable, ſpring-houſe and paper-mill thereon erected, about 7 acres of good watered meadow, ſituated in Nether Providence, Cheſter county, and State of Pennſylvania, containing in the whole 53 acres and 30 perches of land, bounded on Ridley creek, and lands of Henry Hale Graham, Eſq; Benjamin Worrell, and others, being late the property of the ſaid James Willcox, deceaſed. The conditions will be made known at the time and place of ſale, by

PRUDENCE WILLCOX, }
‡ MARK WILLCOX, } Adminiſtrat.

January 5, 1782.

To be SOLD, at Public Sale,
On the 31ſt of this inſtant, on the premiſes,

A VALUABLE lot of LAND, containing 50 acres, with two houſes and a barn, likewiſe a good orchard, meadow and ſpring thereon, lying in the townſhip of Lower Merion, Philadelphia county, adjoining the land of David Davis, deceaſed, and others; late the eſtate of John Lloyd, deceaſed. Any perſon or perſons inclining to purchaſe, may view the premiſes, and the terms will be made known at the day of ſale, by the ſubſcriber.

¶ JOHN ROBESON, ſurviving Executor.

TO BE SOLD,
For Loan-Office, Quarter-Maſter or Soldier's Certificates,

A TRACT of about 8000 acres of LAND, or any part thereof, in Northumberland county, equal, if not ſuperior, in quality to any tract of the ſame quantity in the county. For the owner, enquire of the Printers.

TO BE SOLD,

A VALUABLE MERCHANT GRIST MILL and SAW MILL, with 50 acres of land, known by the name of the Valley Mills, ſituate at the Valley creek, on Schuylkill, which at particular ſeaſons of the year renders it convenient to take in wheat and convey flour to Philadelphia market by water, being 21 miles diſtance; the mill-houſe is a commodious ſtone building, 40 by 60 feet, three ſtories high, the mill-wright work in good order, being lately repaired, a good ſtone dwelling, with two rooms and an entry on the firſt floor, three on the ſecond, garrets ceiled, and a good cellar under the whole, a kitchen adjoining, and a well of good water with a pump near the back door. As the land is all cleared, the wood being cut off by the armies, a tract containing 70 acres, chiefly woodland, about two miles diſtance, would be ſold with it, ſhould it beſt ſuit the purchaſer. A more circumſtantial deſcription is thought unneceſſary, as any perſon inclining to purchaſe may view the mills, by applying to JOSEPH DEWEES, living thereon, and know the terms of the ſubſcriber, in Pott's-town.

¶ ISAAC POTTS.

To be SOLD at private Sale,

ABOUT 130 acres of good LAND, ſituated in in Briſtol townſhip, Bucks county, within two miles of the borough of Briſtol, and about one mile from Neſhaminy creek, where is ſeveral good landings; there is on ſaid premiſes a log houſe, with a well of water at the door, and a ſmall ſtable, alſo about 40 young apple trees; there is 30 acres of excellent plow land cleared and under good fence, the remainder is fine timber land, with a quantity of ſhip timber, and a great quantity of cord wood may be cut on ſaid land; alſo a very fine rich ſwamp that will make from 20 to 25 acres of excellent meadow. Any perſon inclining to purchaſe, may know the terms, by applying to the ſubſcriber, near Briſtol.

¶ WILLIAM WALTON.

TO BE SOLD,

A VERY valuable PLANTATION, between 8 and 9 miles from the city of Philadelphia, about a quarter of a mile from Briſtol road, and one mile from the river Delaware; it contains 125 acres, above 30 of which are good woodland; the quantity of meadow is about 10 acres, which may be eaſily increaſed, as the farm lies on Pennypack creek, and is bounded by another fine ſtream, that diſcharges itſelf into Pennypack. From actual experiment with the *dry level*, the ſubſcriber found that about 14 acres of watered meadow might be made at a ſmall expence; a MILL may be erected to great advantage. On ſaid plantation are a large ſtone houſe, with 4 rooms on a floor, a good barn, ſtables, ſheep-houſe and waggon-houſe; within a few yards of the dwelling-houſe, there is a ſpring of moſt excellent water that has never failed, alſo two orchards, with a great number of cherry trees of different kinds, that bear every year. For terms and further particulars apply to the ſubſcriber, on the premiſes.

If not ſold by the firſt of February, it will be *rented* after that time. ¶ JACOB RUSH.

STOLEN from the ſtable of the ſubſcriber, living at the Riſing Sun tavern, on Germantown road, in the night of the 3d inſt. January, a roan MARE, about 14 hands and an half high, 7 years old, has a ſtar in her forehead, her hind feet both white, was ſhod all round, trots and gallops, and carries lofty. Whoever takes up and ſecures ſaid mare, ſo that the owner may have her again, ſhall have SIX POUNDS reward, and reaſonable charges, paid by ¶ ANTHONY NICE.

WHEREAS my Wife REBECCA GILBERT and I have parted; this is to give notice to all perſons not to truſt her on my account, as I will pay no debts of her contracting from the date hereof.

† BENJAMIN GILBERT.

FRENCH Grammers, Exerciſes and Spelling-books, to be ſold by CHARLES CIST, Printer, in Market-ſtreet, near the north-eaſt corner of Fifth-ſtreet. 4

Alſo the following medical writings, viz.

The Practice of Phyſic, by William Cullen, M. D. and Profeſſor in the Univerſity of Edinburgh, with the following commendatory preface to this American edition.

FROM THE EDITOR.

The author of the following work is too well known in the litterary world to ſtand in need of much commendation. He has produced a revolution in medicine. The Editor is happy in an opportunity of introducing the outlines of the firſt part of his illuſtrious maſter's diſcoveries of the cauſes and cure of diſeaſes to the knowedge of Students of Phyſic in America, to whom it is recommended and moſt reſpectfully inſcribed by BENJAMIN RUSH.

Philadelphia, April 13, 1781.

The New Method of inoculating for the Small-pox, by Benjamin Ruſh, M. D.

A Compendious American Pharmacopœia, by William Brown, M. D.

At the ſame place may be had a collection of geographical maps, ſeveral Latin, Engliſh and German ſchool-books; good writing paper, ink and ink-powder, and ſeveral other articles of ſtationary. Alſo a high varniſh for varniſhing coaches, chairs and houſe furniture.

Purſuant to an Order iſſued out of the ORPHAN'S COURT for the county of Cheſter, will be SOLD at Public Vendue, by the Adminiſtratrix of the Eſtate of JOHN WORRALL, late of the Townſhip of Middletown, deceaſed, on the premiſes, on the 21ſt day of January inſt. at two o'clock in the afternoon,

A PLANTATION or tract of LAND, with a dwelling-houſe, ſpring-houſe, barn, ſtable, and a black-ſmith's ſhop thereon erected, ſituate in the townſhip of Middletown, Cheſter county, in the State of Pennſylvania, containing, by computation, 40 acres of land, bounded by Providence road, lands of Captain John Pitt, Iſaac Levis, and others; late the property of John Worrall, deceaſed. The conditions of ſale will be made known at the time and place abovelaid, by

ELIJAH WORRALL, and SUSANNAH, his wife, Adminiſtratrix.
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TO BE SOLD, at private SALE,

A VALUABLE PLANTATION, ſituate in Byberry townſhip, about twelve miles from Philadelphia, containing upwards of one hundred acres, near ſeventy whereof are cleared, the reſt is well timbered; There is on the ſaid premiſes, a well finiſhed two ſtory brick dwelling-houſe, with a kitchen adjoining, and a well of good water near the door; a barn and ſtabling; an orchard, a quantity of meadow, and more may be made: The ſoil is good, and the whole in good repair, and may be entered on the firſt day of April next. Any perſon inclining to purchaſe, may know the terms of ſale, by applying to DAVID SIPLER, living on the premiſes. ¶

Salisbury townſhip, January 2, 1782.

WHEREAS a certain Negroe Man, named JEM, was left at the houſe of the ſubſcriber about two weeks ago, by ſome of the carters from the French army, in Virginia; ſaid Negroe is about 5 feet 10 inches high, well made, about 22 years of age; he ſays his maſter joined the Britiſh army, and was killed at the ſiege of York-Town, before the ſurrender of that place: Theſe are therefore to inform the owner, if any there be, that he come and fetch the ſaid Negroe in ſix months from this date, otherwiſe he will be ſold for the coſt.

† FELIX GOOD.

Upper Dublin, January 4, 1782.

WHEREAS I, the ſubſcriber, purchaſed a horſe from Daniel Miller, of Germantown townſhip, for the ſum of Nine Pounds, the horſe to be returned to him if he did not ſuit me, for which I gave him two notes for Four Pounds Ten Shillings each, one payable in one month, the other in three months; now as the horſe has been returned to him, I hereby forewarn all perſons from taking aſſignments on ſaid notes, as I am determined not to pay them, unleſs compelled by law.

¶ GEORGE FERRINGER.

York county, Cumberland townſhip, Dec. 29, 1781.

WHEREAS I, the ſubſcriber, bought a piece of land from William Gouty, of York county aforeſaid, for which I gave him, in part payment, five Bonds, the firſt payable in October, 1782, and the others yearly until the whole were paid; now as I am determined not to pay any of ſaid bonds until I get a good title for the land, I hereby warn all perſons from taking aſſignments on them † BERNARD ZENTMYER.

ALL PERSONS having any juſt demands againſt the Eſtate of WILLIAM GARRETT, late of Darby deceaſed, are deſired to bring in their accounts properly atteſted, for payment. And all thoſe indebted to ſaid eſtate, are requeſted to make immediate payment, or they may expect to be proceeded againſt as the law directs, without further notice. OBORN GARRET, } Executors,
‡ JOHN GARRET, }

Northampton county, January 7, 1782.

NOTICE is hereby given to thoſe perſons in the city of Philadelphia, who have any lands in the county of Northampton, and are yet in arrears for taxes, that the ſubſcriber will attend at the houſe of Mr. Joſt Everth, in Race-ſtreet, between Second and Third-ſtreets, on the 21ſt and 22d inſtant, in order to receive the ſame. On failure whereof the Commiſſioners of the ſaid county will diſpoſe of ſo much of the delinquents eſtates as will ſatisfy the ſame. ¶ CONRAD IHRIE, jun.

East Marlborough, Cheſter county, Jan. 1, 1782.

STOLEN out of the ſtable of the ſubſcriber laſt night, a dark brown MARE, about 15 hands high, 4 years old laſt graſs, a large ſtar in her forehead, ſhort ſwitch tail, ſhort mane, round bodied, paces faſt, carries tolerably well, ſhod all round. Any perſon apprehending and ſecuring ſaid mare and thief, that the owner gets her again, and the thief brought to juſtice, ſhall receive *Twenty hard Dollars*, or *Eight Dollars*, with all reaſonable charges, for the mare only, paid by EZEKIEL BOWEN.

Abington townſhip, Philadelphia county, Jan. 5, 1782.

CAME to the place of the ſubſcriber, the 8th of laſt month, a black HORSE, with a blaze in his face, ſhod all round, ſuppoſed to be 9 or 10 years old, a natural trotter, appears to be lame. The owner is deſired to come, prove his property, pay charges, and take him away. ¶ THOMAS LEECH.

Hysteric and Cholic PILLS,

PECULIAR for removing all obstructions of the head or stomach, and have been long experienced to be very useful in many families; their operation is safe and mild, requiring neither confinement or change of diet; they may be taken at any age or any season; their virtues will sufficiently recommend them to all who may please to apply for them, at MARY HOLTON's Apothecary shop, in Spruce-street; where may be had, an excellent ointment to cure scald heads, a plaister which is an effectual remedy for a cancer, if applied in time; an ointment, for gathered or broken breasts, for a tetter or burn, eye water, worm powders for children, elixir proprietatis, Daffey's elixir, and Stoughton's bitters, with many other things in the medicinal way not mentioned.

*** The pills are in boxes, price 2s. 6d. †

To be SOLD by private Sale,

One mile from the Blue-Ball Tavern, on the Lancaster road,

A Quantity of LEATHER in the vatts, consisting of Soal, Uppers and Harness; either the whole or by parcels, as may best suit the purchasers. ¶

To be SOLD at Public Sale, on the premises,

A PLANTATION or tract of Land,

situate in Kennet township, Chester county, near Lewis's mill, containing about 160 acres more or less, a quantity of which is meadow, and more may be made, and about 60 or 70 acres of which are extraordinary well timbered, contiguous to two saw and two grist-mills; on the said plantation are a large stone dwelling-house and kitchen, work-shop adjoining, with a well of good water, barn and other buildings, apple orchard, with a stream of water, &c. The situation of said place is very convenient to a good market, held twice every week at Wilmington, the distance about eight or nine miles. Possession of the premises may be had the ninth of the fourth month next. For terms, apply to WILLIAM ZANE, at the corner of Walnut and Fourth streets, Philadelphia, or to ALICE BENNETT, in Wilmington.

N. B. The sale to begin at the second hour, P. M. on the 11th day of the said month next, where attendance is intended to be given by the subscribers.

WILLIAM ZANE,
¶ ALICE BENNETT.

CAME to the pasture of the subscriber, about the 4th of August last, in Kingsessing township, Philadelphia county, A black and white STEER, about two years old past. The owner is desired to come and prove his property, pay charges, and take him away.

Philad. Dec. 27, 1781. § GEORGE WALKER.

Office of Finance.

Philadelphia, 12th December, 1781.

PROPOSALS will be received in this office until the first day of February next, for the following contracts, to supply the rations deliverable by the United States, from the first day of April to the first day of December next, inclusive, to those persons entitled to draw them:

A contract for the post of Boston, } in Massachusetts.
A contract for the post of Springfield, }
A contract for the posts to the northward of Poughkeepsie, in New York.
A contract for the post of Frederick-Town, in Maryland.

The contractors are to issue the rations, and the proposals are to contain the lowest prices and longest terms of payment, as also the price of the component parts, which are

1lb beef or 3-quarters pound pork,
1lb bread,
1 gill rum or whisky,
1 quart salt and 2 quarts vinegar per 100 rations,
3lb soap and 3lb candles per 700 rations.

FOR SALE,

By JOHN CHALONER,

At his STORE, in Chesnut-street, two doors from the Corner of Third-street.

CLOTHS and Cassimers,
Cambletts, Plushes,
Velvets,
Calicoes and Chintzes,
Cambricks,
Muslins,
Gauzes,
Irish and Russia Linens,
Ell wide Persians,
Ducapes,
Modes and Sattins,
New-England Rum,
Liver Oyl, &c. &c. &c.

Also, a few setts of French Army BILLS of EXCHANGE.

To be SOLD at Public Vendue,

On THURSDAY, the 17th of January next, by an Order of the ORPHANS COURT,

THE Real Estate of GARRET HART, deceased, situated in Appoquiniminck hundred, in New-Castle county, and lying on Blackbird's creek, joining lands of Richard Cantwell, Esq; Cornelius Naudain, and others; containing 173 acres of land, and 52 acres and 53 perches of marsh adjoining the said premises; a very good frame dwelling-house, with good kitchen quarters and milk-house, a stone walled well of exceeding good water, a good paled garden, a large good barn, with stables, cow-houses, garner and carriage-house; and many other convenient buildings; a young orchard of exceeding good fruit. The land is remarkable good for grain, and the marsh may be made all into good meadow with a small expence.

If the day of sale should prove bad, the first clear day succeeding. The terms will be made known on the day of sale, by WM. ALLFREE, Administrator.

December 27, 1781. †

ALL PERSONS indebted to the Estate of WILILAM ALLEN, late of the city of Philadelphia, Esquire, deceased, on bond, mortgage, promissary notes or contracts for the sale of lands, or for arrears of rent or ground rents, are requested to make immediate payment to the subscriber, in Philadelphia, that he may be enabled to satisfy some pressing demands against the estate. He hopes this public notice will induce the persons concerned to a speedy compliance, as he would not wish to be under the necessity of proceeding against them in a course of law.

† EDWARD SHIPPEN, acting Executor.

Reading, December 15, 1781.

BY Virtue of a WRIT of *Fieri facias*, issuing out of the Court of Common Pleas of the county of Berks, to me directed, will be SOLD by Public Vendue, on FRIDAY, the eleventh day of January next, at the house of Philip Dorst, in Exeter township, in the said county, Three MESSUAGES, one SAW-MILL, one FULLING-MILL, and about one hundred and fifty acres of LAND, upwards of thirty acres whereof is cleared meadow, and more may be made; situate partly in Exeter and partly in Alsace township, within four miles of the town of Reading. Late the estate of ADAM ALTSTADT, seized and taken in execution, by

PHILIP KREMER, Sheriff.

TO BE SOLD,

A PLANTATION, containing 52 acres, lying in Lower Dublin township, bordering on Abington township, on a public road, ten miles and a quarter from the market; there are on the premises a good stone house, four rooms down stairs, a good oven, a good stone spring-house before the door, with a room over it, and a never-failing spring of excellent water, a waggon-shed before the door, nine acres of good meadow close by the house, well watered from different springs, a garden adjoining, abounding with a variety of good fruit, a log barn, stable and hay-barrack, a large orchard of winter and summer fruit, about ten acres of woodland; there is also a new cyder-mill and press; great part of the place is under grain, and the tenant now on it having it on shares will be willing to leave it on the 18th of March next, with the benefit of half the grain to the purchaser

Also one other tract of Land, near adjoining to the above, containing 20 acres, with a good log house, an excellent spring of water near the door, a good oven, and a small orchard of grafted fruit; about three acres of meadow, and a variety of fruit trees; the land is new and good, and all under grain, half of it for the benefit of the purchaser, the tenant's time expiring the 18th of March next,

Likewise one other tract of Land, a quarter of a mile distant from the above, containing 20 acres, with a log house and barn, a good orchard of the best grafted winter and summer fruit, some good pear-trees and a number of plumb-trees, a good garden before the door, which abounds with great variety of fruit, such as pears, peaches, quinces, all sorts of currants and some plumb-trees; about three or four acres of well watered meadow, pleasantly lying on Pennypack-creek, under good fence, with some woodland and grain in the ground; it is now under rent, and the tenant's time expires the 18th of March next. Any person inclining to purchase the whole or part, may know the terms, which will be made easy; by applying to the subscriber, in Walnut-street, near Third-street, Philadelphia.

¶ ABRAHAM SHOEMAKER.

FOR SALE,

A TWO STORY BRICK TENEMENT and LOT of GROUND, situate on the south side of Wood-street, between Second and Third-streets, in the Northern Liberties of Philadelphia, containing in breadth 27 feet, and in depth 73 feet.

A LOT of GROUND, situate on the east side of Third-street, between Vine and Wood-street, in the Northern Liberties of Philadelphia, containing in breadth 18 feet, and in depth 90 feet.

Two other contiguous LOTS of GROUND, situate on the west side of the old Germantown road, adjoining the stone bridge over the Cohockfink creek, in the Northern Liberties aforesaid, containing in breadth on Germantown road aforesaid, 40 feet, and extending in depth about 160 feet; (these two lots of ground are very suitable for a tan-yard, as they are bounded by the abovementioned creek.)

Also to be LETT for a Term of Years,

TWO LOTS of GROUND, situate in the Northern Liberties aforesaid, one of them on the east side of Third-street, and on the south side of Wood-street; containing in breadth about 90 feet, and in depth 90 feet; the other of them situate on the west side of Third-street aforesaid, and on the south side of Wood-street aforesaid; containing in breadth about 110 feet, and in depth about 75 feet. Enquire of CHRISTOPHER BAKER, in Second-street, at the corner of Vine-street.

Philadelphia, December 10, 1781. †

To be SOLD at Private Sale,

A LARGE commodious two Story Stone HOUSE and PLANTATION, situate in Plumstead township, Bucks county, about 33 miles from the city of Philadelphia, on the great road leading from Philadelphia or from Newton to Bethlehem and Easton; the plantation contains 50 acres of land, 12 acres whereof are cleared, and may very easily be turned into meadows; the house is new, and 40 feet square, with three rooms on a floor, a cellar under the whole, a well of very good water near the kitchen door, a very good new log stable for eight or nine horses: The whole is under good fence, and very convenient for any public business, as it is situate on a very public cross-road, that is, on the aforementioned road, and on the great road leading from the Valley-Forge or from Swedes-Ford to East-New-Jersey. The title is indisputable. For terms apply to JOSEPH CAUFFMAN, in Front-street, near South-street, Philadelphia.

N. B. If the above premises are not sold before the first of April next, they will be rented, and immediate possession given. ¶ 6 w.

WAS delivered to my custody, A Negroe Man, named JOE, who served ten years with Mr. Jeremiah Strowd, in Bartley county, Virginia, says he is now free; likewise a Negroe Man, who sometimes says his name is JOE and sometimes NERO; says he lived with Mr. Isaac Webster, in Hartford county, Maryland, near Bushtown, and with Mr. Charles Hughes, Antiatim, Maryland, and likewise with Mr. William Jones, Maryland. The owner or owners are hereby requested to come, prove their properties, pay costs, and take them away, or they will be sold out for their costs and fees in six weeks from the date hereof.

HUGH CUNNINGHAM, Goaler,
Dec. 10, 1781. ¶ Lancaster county.

Just Imported, and to be SOLD, by

WILLIAM ALLIBONE,

At his STORE, the corner of Front and Vine-streets,

Hyson TEA of the first Quality;
Coarse WOOLLENS;
Table LINEN; CHECKS;
A quantity of PINS;
Coloured TAPES; and MUSQUETS.

PRICHARD's

Circulating-Library and Book-Store,

In Second, near Arch-street, opposite the Baptist Meeting-House.

IF an unwearied attention to the duty of Librarian, and an assiduous care to serve and oblige, merits encouragement, the proprietor flatters himself he has, to the utmost of his power, discharged the above character since his arrival to public business in this city, and hereby solicits a continuance of those favours which have hitherto been extended to him by a liberal public. As the utility of works of this nature principally depend on their being conducted on the most extensive plan that circumstances will admit of, the proprietor therefore hopes that he shall be enabled by a more general subscription to make an agreeable addition to his Library, by augmenting it with every new work of merit, which to convince the public of his wishes to oblige, he hereby acquaints them, that he has just purchased a very valuable acquisition to his Library, wherein are comprized an impartial History of the American war, with beautiful and striking likenesses of the most conspicuous heroes on that theatre; also, the Abbe Raynal's Revolution of America, and an elegant Collection of the newest Novels, published in Europe since the commencement of the present war.

He has for SALE, A general Collection of BOOKS on most subjects, particularly, History, Law, Physic and the Classics; a most extensive assortment of STATIONARY, viz. Paper, Quills, Sealing-wax, Wafers, and liquid Ink of the very best quality, several humorous Prints in imitation of Hogarth's, Music on copperplate, Maps of North-America, &c. also, ivory Pounce-boxes, Folders, reading Folders, Pen-knives, a new invented Blacking of most extraordinary quality, and a scouring Liquid and Powder which takes out stains and spots from all coloured clothes; new fashioned jessamy Canes, neatly finished, chiefly intended for the Ladies, &c. &c. &c. with several other Articles too lengthy to add to this advertisement. Bibles, Testaments, Spelling-books, and Chap-books of all kinds, &c. &c. ¶

New-Castle, December 5, 1781.

WAS brought to the goal of this county, on the second day of this instant, A certain Mulattoe Slave, named JOE, who confesseth himself to be the property of HENRY HOWARD, near Northampton Furnace, State of Maryland; if so, his master is desired to come, pay charges, and take him away, within the space of three weeks from the above date, otherwise he will be discharged according to law, by † THOMAS CLARK, Goaler.

Kaighn and *Attmore*

Have removed their STORE into Front-street, the sixth door below Arch-street, where they have for SALE,

The following MERCHANDIZE, viz.

A GENERAL assortment of superfine and second broadcloths, of the most fashionable colours,
Silk, serge & rattinet linings,
An elegant assortment of gold and silver spangled buttons,
Sewing silk,
Scarf twist,
Silk knee-garters,
Serge denim,
Sattinet,
Callimancoes,
White modes,
White barcelona silk, book muslin & bordered gauze handkerchiefs,
Chinese ribbands,
Laval linens,
Scotch threads,
Blue moreen,
Womens coloured kidd and lamb mitts,
Small French pins,
Quality binding,
Red ell wide persian,
Apron tapes and bobbins,
Striped ginghams,
Double purple calicoes,
Elegant bed-furniture copperplate cottons,
Plain bengals,
India nankeens,
Printed jean and best velvet jacket shapes,
Cotton counterpains,
Black glass beads,
Black lead pencils,
Brass hanging compasses for ships cabbins,
Japanned plate-warmers,
Black pepper by the dozen or hundred weight,
A new copper still, containing 51 gallons, with worm compleat,
Pulverized Jesuits bark in bottles,
China sauce-boats,
Iron pots, kettles and cart-boxes,
A small kedge anchor, with a moveable iron stock,
Spanish brown and yellow oker, in kegs,
Logwood by the ton,
A neat and elegant chariot, almost new.

† 4 w.

Eight Spanish Dollars Reward.

WAS lost in the beginning of October last, on the road between Southampton, in Bucks county, and Trenton Ferry, by the way of Bristol, a SILVER WATCH, with a china face, a steel chain and brass key, maker's name, *William Kipling*, London, No. 1799. Any person who will deliver the said Watch to the subscriber, at Southampton aforesaid, shall receive the above reward, and reasonable charges, from

GODFREY VAN DEREN.

N. B. Watchmakers are requested to stop said Watch, if it should be offered for sale or to be cleaned, which, on giving the owner information thereof, will entitle them to the above reward and reasonable charges. ¶

To be LETT for any Term of Years,

A GOOD PLANTATION, within eight miles of Philadelphia, consisting of about 130 acres of cleared land, besides woodland (betwixt 20 and 30 acres of which is meadow) a large orchard, a good stone dwelling-house, of four fire rooms, cellar and garret. For particulars, enquire of JOHN ROSS, merchant, at his house, in Pine-street, Philadelphia. ¶

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